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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Mr. Attorney General,

As a technician in a large data center outside Washington D.C. I have an opportunity to work with a variety of software other than Microsoft's. Most of the servers we house use some form of Linux or Apache or FreeBSD or Solaris. Granted, our internal network uses NT 4.0 on the desktop and NT Server 4 on the netserv I do believe that choice was more a function of the Administrator's skillset other than lack of variety in the marketplace. Point is, I don't see where Microsoft has ANY monopoly on ANYTHING. Their product just works pretty good and so far no one has come up with anything better, competitors' marketing hype aside.

While perhaps out of the mainstream I have 8 versions of Netscape and InternetExplorer on my home system--EACH--in addition to a selection of lesser known browsers also. No better way to test how your webpages load than on the browser in question. I know browsers. Aint one better than the other at the primary task of going and getting webpages and since they are all pretty much FREE, qualify as something less than a commodity. Like dirt.

I am deeply disappointed in the amount of time and money spent on this suit and hope the judge sees fit to end it very, very soon.

Sincerely,

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